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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: P.A. Graef et al. Attorney Docket No.: WEYE116081  
Application No.: 09/664,472 Group Art Unit: 3761  
Filed: September 18, 2000 Examiner: J.A. Webb  
Title: FLUTED COMPOSITE AND RELATED ABSORBENT ARTICLES

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER/  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

July 28, 2003

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	51	-	54	=	0	x	18	=	0
Independent Claims	12	-	12	=	0	x	84	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 28, 2003, set to expire on June 28, 2003, be extended by 1 month, to expire on July 28, 2003. The enclosed check includes the 1-month extension fee of \$110.00.

C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 149757 in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the request for extension of time fee.

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D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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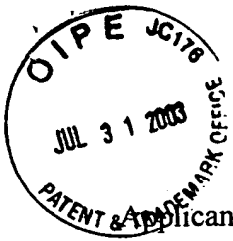
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Date: July 28, 2003

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 13

Seattle, Washington 98101

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed March 28, 2003 (Paper No. 13), please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Pursuant to the Request for Extension of Time enclosed herewith, the period for response has been extended one (1) month, to expire July 28, 2003.

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